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INFORMATION AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT STAFF  
WEEKLY REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING 11 JANUARY 1984

1. Progress Report on Tasks Assigned by the DCI/DDCI:

No tasks assigned during this reporting period.

2. Items or Events of Major Interest that have Occurred During the Preceding Week:

a. LIMS - Information and Management Support Staff initiated a paper on the requisition approval process to be incorporated in LIMS. Both the Office of Finance and the Audit Staff, OIG, concurred in the approach taken. The development contractor has been informed that the approving authority for each requisition must access the requisition and provide his approval. If the approval of cognizant, technical or special authorities is also required, they too, will be asked to access the requisition and provide their approval. A requisition will not be accepted by OL for processing until the required approvals have been obtained.

(1) The above approach will provide a sound audit trail and will eliminate the potential for misunderstanding or abuse that could occur if requestors were allowed to certify approvals had been obtained outside of LIMS. By virtue of creating hard stops, this approach should help to separate those "approvals" that are truly required in advance from those that are informative or administrative in nature and can be obtained through ad hoc reports after the request has been entered into LIMS for processing.

b. DAS - On 10 January, the C/DAS conducted an hour briefing on the DAS mission, functions, objectives and organizational structure to 56 personnel. Of this number, 24 people are incumbents of DAS designated positions. The remaining 32 represented various degrees of interest in the DAS, from components within and without the OL. Of this latter group, 19 have evidenced interest in seeking an ADP career and desire to be considered as candidates for DAS positions. Subsequent reaction to the briefing appears positive in all aspects.

(1)  C/DCB/SD, conducted a briefing on ICS capabilities to key OF personnel, 9 January. This is the first in a series of briefings to inform an OF task force on OL ADP systems relationships to automated financial data bases. CONIF, LIMS and possibly FARS briefings will follow.

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(2) RECD reports that construction of the WANG Alliance CPU room will commence on or before 23 January. The new second and third floor Alliance systems should be in place in late February.

c. Regulations

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Accommodations - Concurred.

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WEEKLY STATUS REPORT  
Week of 2 to 6 January 1984

I. Major Activities During the Past Week:

A. Support to OL:

STAT REALESTATE (Realestate System). Meetings were held on 3 and  
STAT 4 January to discuss the status of the design of Domestic Real  
Property System (DRPS). To date the System Requirements Document  
(SRD) and the Data Specifications Document (DSD) have been  
completed. At the 4 January meeting [redacted] Chief,  
Real Estate Branch, requested an additional requirement for the  
system which will be incorporated into the SRD and the DSD. The  
next phase of the development will be to program the system and  
write a user's manual. [redacted] (U)

STAT CONIF (Contract Information System). Changes were made to  
STAT the CONIFGETICS nightly interface procedure and the mod and sep of  
the ICS/DETAIL file in order to decrease the run time of that  
procedure. The CONIFGETICS procedure processes the LINE/DETAIL  
data received from ICS. [redacted] (U)

STAT MISCELLANEOUS. [redacted]  
attended the GAS Major Enhancements Project Bi-weekly Meeting on 4  
January. The status of the outstanding problems were reported and  
discussed. A plan to document and coordinate every problem is  
under way. Attendees were representatives from OF, OL, and ODP  
and included Data Base Managers for the interfacing systems.  
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II. General Items:

A. Support to OL:

STAT MISCELLANEOUS. [redacted] from the Information  
Support Branch, ISD/MISG/ODP, reported to the Technical Group,  
STAT DAS/IMSS/OL, on 3 January 1984. Tom can be reached at  
OL/IMSS/DAS/TG, 166 P&P Bldg., [redacted] (U)

III. Problems:

A. Support to OL:

FARS (Federal Automated Requisitioning System). Inability to  
Transfer Data From the FARS System via DATEX. On 5 January  
representatives from Data General, Computer Systems Support  
Corporation, Datex, and Systems Engineering Branch/ODP, were asked  
to participate in a test run. This had been set up to monitor the  
flow of data from FARS to DATEX. With monitoring devices on both  
ends, the test results pointed to a hardware problem. On 7

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January the Technical Center/ODP specialists found that the FARS sending clock used to transmit between FARS and DATEX was not in synchronization. They will return next week to determine what caused the clock to go out of synchronization. (U)

ICS (Inventory Control System). Three procedures currently in production have surfaced several flaws in their logic. REQNP, which is used in confirming stock issue, has apparently been allowing the issue of stock which does not exist onhand. The procedure will be reviewed and the Data Base Manager will be consulted to provide revised specifications. ICSGETCONIF and ADD-INV require the addition of a N/E to the route statement.

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AVRS (Agency Vehicles Records System). The NIPS database has been restored. This is a recurring problem that will be investigated to determine the cause and a remedy. [redacted] (U)

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IV. Upcoming Events:

None to report.